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SUBJECT: TERRORIST ACTIVITY IN NEPAL

1. PRESS HAD REPORTED THAT 30-35 KHAMPAS WERE ARRESTED BY POLICE JANUARY 24 FOLLOWING UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO SMUGGLE HAND GRENADES AND AMMUNITION TO KATHMANDU VALLEY. GROUP WAS APPREHENDED ON A BUS OUTSIDE KATHMANDU EN ROUTE FROM BIRATNAGAR. ACCORDING TO SOME REPORTS POLICE WERE INITIALLY OUTNUMBERED AND ONLY FOLLOWING ARRIVAL OF RE-INFORCEMENT FROM KATHMANDU MANAGED TO SUBDUE KHAMPAS.

2. COMMENT: IT IS WIDELY ASSUMED THAT GROUP WAS ATTEMPTING TO INFILTRATE GRENADES INTO KATHMANDU FOR USE BY NEPALI CONGRESS PARTY TERRORISTS BEFORE OR DURING CORONATION. THERE IS REASON TO BELIEVE THAT PRESS REPORTS ARE EXAGGERATED; WE HAVE HEARD TWO VERSIONS OF INCIDENT WHICH CLAIM ONLY HALF A DOZEN KHAMPAS WERE SEIZED AFTER DRIVER OF BUS THEY WERE ON GOT SUSPICIOUS AND TIPPED OFF POLICE AT CHECK POINT ON RAJ PATH. THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT KHAMPAS ARE FROM THAT GROUP WHICH FLED NEPAL LAST SUMMER, DESPITE RUMORS AT THAT TIME THAT CONGRESS PARTY WOULD SEEK TO RECRUIT THEM. THIS IS FIRST INSTANCE, HOWEVER, OF KAHMPA INVOLVEMENT IN NCP ACTIVITIES AND INTRODUCES NEW FACTOR

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IN EQUATION OF TERRORIST ACTIVITY, SINCE SOME KHAMPAS

COULD PROVIDE NCP MILITARY EXPERIENCE IT LACKS TO CARRY
OUT SUCCESSFUL ATTACKS.
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